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NEWS RELEASE

Man Accidentally Killed Himself

Date/Time: March 20, 2018 at 12:56 a.m.

Location: 12433 Desert View

Deceased: 41- year old Israel Perez

EL PASO, Texas – Crimes Against Persons detectives have determined that the man found dead early yesterday morning on Desert View Drive accidentally killed himself after mishandling a shotgun. Patrol units responded to a shots fired call early Tuesday morning and discovered the body of 41 –year old Israel Perez on the sidewalk at the 12400 block of Desert View Dr. Crimes Against Persons detectives conducted the investigation which revealed that Perez arrived at that location to sell an illegal shotgun. From the passenger compartment passenger side Perez pulled the rear seat down to access the trunk and retrieved the shotgun. While doing so the trigger became snagged as Perez pulled the shotgun and it discharged striking him. Modifications done to the shotgun made it illegal and those modifications compromised safety features which resulted in the trigger being exposed as the trigger guard had been removed. Analysis of the crime scene and of the forensic evidence led investigators to determine that the fatal wound to Perez was accidentally self-inflicted. The case remains open pending final autopsy results.

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